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In re Application of

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Application No. 10/533,490

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Attorney Docket No. 206,973

ON PETITION

FOR HIGHER LEVEL REVIEW

This is a decision on a renewed petition or a request for reconsideration at a higher level filed July 10, 2007, which is treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.10(c) requesting that the submission of the formal corrected drawings for the above-identified application be considered as filed on January 3, 2007, instead of the currently accorded submission date of January 4, 2007.

The petition is **DISMISSED** as moot.

Petitioner alleges that the issue fee, the publication fee, and drawings were deposited with the United States Postal Service on January 3, 2007 using Express Mail Service. As stated in the previous decision of June 7, 2007, petitioner has provided sufficient evidence that the issue and publication fees were timely submitted on January 3, 2007 because the Express Mail label number was placed on the fee transmittal sheet or a paper that constitutes a correspondence. Additionally, the decision noted that the January 3, 2007 submission of the issue and publication fees is timely in view of an official correspondence from the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, entitled, "Closing of the United States Patent and Trademark Office on Tuesday, January 2, 2007. This correspondence explains that the Office was not open on January 2, 2007, and as such, "[a]ny action or fee due on Tuesday, January 2, 2007, will be considered as timely for purposes of, e.g., 35 U.S.C. §§ 119, 120, 133, and 151, if the action is taken, or the fee is paid, on the next succeeding business day on which the USPTO was open, that is, Wednesday, January 3, 2007."

The timely filing of the issue and publication fees has not been disputed in petitioner's renewed petition of July 10, 2007. On reconsideration and relying on a postcard receipt, petitioner has argued that the corrected drawings were also submitted on January 3, 2007.

It has recently come to the Office's attention that a Notice Regarding Drawings (Notice) and a Notice of Draftsperson's Drawing Review were apparently mailed to applicant on December 18,

2006.¹ The Notice set a non-extendable two-month period for response and, thus, extended the period for responding to the corrected drawing requirement until February 18, 2007. In light of this Notice, the formal drawing submission received by the Office on January 4, 2007 is considered timely regardless of whether the formal drawings are accorded a January 3, 2007 or January 4, 2007 submission date.

Based on the above, the Notice of Abandonment of June 20, 2007 was mailed in error and is, hereby, vacated. The Office regrets any inconvenience.

Please note that Office records reflect the Notice of Abandonment mailed June 20, 2007 was returned to the Office as undeliverable. This Notice was mailed to: Abelman Frayne & Schwab, 666 Third Ave., 10th Floor, New York, NY 10017-5621. This address matches the last Change of Address received on January 4, 2007. Slightly inconsistent with the Change of Address submitted on January 4, 2007, the petition filed July 10, 2007 includes a letterhead with an address of: Abelman Frayne & Schwab, 666 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017-5621. Petitioner should review the record and provide the Office with a viable correspondence address. See MPEP 601.03, 711.03(c) and 2501.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Denise Pothier at (571) 272-4787.

The application will be forwarded to the Office of Publication for further processing.

Charles Pearson

Director

Office of Petitions

enc: Notice Regarding Drawings mailed December 18, 2006

Notice of Draftsperson's Drawings Review referring to drawings filed on 4/28/05 (PTO-948)

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¹ These Notices appear to have been sent to an incorrect address: Abelman Frayne & Schwab, 150 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017-5612. The applicant notified the Office of a change of address on October 16, 2006 to: Abelman Frayne & Schwab, 666 Third Avenue, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10017-5621.



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Notice Regarding Drawings

Corrected drawings for the above-identified application, received in the USPTO on 04/28/2005 are still not acceptable for the reason(s) identified below. Applicant is given one opportunity to correct the informalities within a two-month time period from the mailing date of this Notice. THIS TIME PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136(a) OR 1.136(b). Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in abandonment of the application.

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NOTICE OF DRAFTSPERSON'S PATENT DRAWING REVIEW

1. DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings: Black ink or	8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(i) Words do not appear on a horizontal, left-to-right
Color (3 sets required). Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is	fashion when page is either upright or turned so that the top becomes the right side, except for
granted. Fig(s) Pencil and non black ink not permitted. Fig(s)	graphs. Fig(s)
2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)	Scale not large enough to show mechanism
One (1) full-tone set is required. Fig(s) Photographs may not be mounted. 37 CFR 1.84(e)	without crowding when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction.
Photographs must meet paper size requirements of 37 CFR 1.84(f). Fig(s)	Fig(s)
Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) 3. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(e)	LETTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(I) Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and
Paper not flexible, strong, white, and durable. Fig(s)	well defined, clean, durable, and black (poor line quality). Fig(s)
Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, copy machine marks not accepted.	11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)Solid black areas pale. Fig(s)
Fig(s) 4. SIZE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable	Solid black shading not permitted. Fig(s) 12. NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE
sizes:	CHARACTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(p)
21.0 cm by 29.7 cm (DIN size A4) or 21.6 cm by 27.9 cm (8 1/2x 11 inches)	Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible. Fig(s)
All drawing sheets not the same size. Sheet(s)	Figure legends are poor. Fig(s) 1-4 Numbers and reference characters not oriented in
Drawings sheets not an acceptable size. Fig(s) 5. MARGINS. 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:	the same direction as the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p): Fig(s)
Top 2.5 cm Left 2.5 cm Right 1.5 cm Bottom 1.0 cm Margins not acceptable. Fig(s)	English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) Fig(s)
Top (T) Left (L) Right (R) Bottom (B)	Numbers, letters and reference characters must b at least 32 cm (1/8 inch) in height, 37 CFR
6. VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)	1.84(p)(3). Fig(s)
REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to drawing changes, e.g., if Fig. 1 is	13. LEAD LINES. 37 CFR 1.84(q) Lead lines missing. Fig(s)
changed to Fig. 1A, Fig 1B and Fig. 1C, etc., the specification, at the Brief Description of the Drawings,	14. NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS 37 CFR 1.84(t)
must likewise be changed. Views not labeled separately or properly.	Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabi numbers beginning with number 1. Sheet(s)
Fig(s) 7. SECTIONAL VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)(3)	15. NUMBERING OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(u) Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabi
Sectional designation should be noted with Arabic or Roman numbers. Fig(s)	numerals, beginning with number 1. Fig(s) 16. DESIGN DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.152
Atable of Roman numbers. Fig(s)	Surface shading shown not appropriate. Fig(s)
	Solid black surface shading is not permitted exce when used to represent the color black as well as
OMMENTS:	color contrast. Fig(s)